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# Republic of North Macedonia Trade Continuity Regulations 2021

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In the exercise of powers conferred on him by section 5(1) of the European Union Withdrawal (Application of International Agreements) Act 2019, and all other enabling powers, and for the purposes of further implementing the Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of North Macedonia done at Skopje on 3 December 2020, the Chief Minister has made these Regulations-

#### Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Republic of North Macedonia Trade Continuity Regulations 2021.

#### Commencement.

2. These Regulations come into operation on 1 January 2021.

#### **Definitions and interpretation.**

- 3. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise so requires-
  - "EU-North Macedonia Agreements" means the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of North Macedonia, done at Luxembourg on 9 April 2001 and the Additional Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the EU-North Macedonia Agreement to take account of the outcome of the negotiations between the parties on reciprocal preferential concessions for certain wines, the reciprocal recognition, protection and control of wine names and the reciprocal recognition, protection and control of designations for spirits and aromatised drinks, done at Brussels on 18 December 2001;
  - "Government" means Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar;
  - "mutatis mutandis" means with the technical changes necessary to apply the EU-North Macedonia Agreements as if they had been concluded between the United Kingdom and the Republic of North Macedonia, taking into account the object of these Regulations, and any reference to a European Union body, office or institution shall in particular be read as a reference to the Gibraltar equivalent, and any reference to the European Commission shall be read as a reference to the Government;

"North Macedonia" and "Republic of North Macedonia" have the same meaning;

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"UK-North Macedonia Agreement" means the Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of North Macedonia done at Skopje on 3 December 2020.

#### Purpose.

4.(1) The purpose of these Regulations is to preserve the preferential conditions relating to trade between Gibraltar and North Macedonia which resulted from the EU-North Macedonia Agreements.

#### Source of application.

5. The UK-North Macedonia Agreement applies to Gibraltar under Article 6.1 of that Agreement.

#### Incorporation and modification.

6.(1) The provisions of the EU-North Macedonia Agreement are incorporated, mutatis mutandis, into these Regulations to the extent that, and under the conditions under which, that Agreement applied to Gibraltar immediately before it ceased to do so, subject to subregulation (3).

(2) For greater certainty, Article 45(1) of the EU-North Macedonia Agreement regarding the existing facilities of access to employment for workers of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia is not incorporated into these Regulations.

(3) The EU-North Macedonia Agreement is incorporated into these Regulations as modified by the UK-North Macedonia Agreement and regulations 7, 8, 9 and 10.

#### Continuation of time periods.

7.(1) Unless these Regulations provides otherwise-

- (a) if a period in the EU-North Macedonia Agreements has not yet ended, the remainder of that period is incorporated into these Regulations; and
- (b) if a period in the EU-North Macedonia Agreements has ended, any ongoing right or obligation is not incorporated into these Regulations.

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(2) Notwithstanding subregulation (1), a reference in the EU-North Macedonia Agreements to a time period relating to a procedure or other administrative matter, such as review, committee procedure or notification, shall not be affected.

#### References to the euro.

8. Any reference to the euro (including "EUR") and to the ECU (the European Currency Unit) in the EU-North Macedonia Agreement is incorporated as such in these Regulations.

#### **References to European Union Law.**

9. A reference to European Union law in the EU-North Macedonia Agreements is to be read as a reference to that European Union law in force as incorporated or implemented in Gibraltar law as retained European Union law on the day after Gibraltar ceases to be bound by the relevant European Union law.

#### **References to approximation to European Union law.**

10. Any reference in the EU-North Macedonia Agreements to the convergence, harmonisation, integration or approximation of laws or practice to the laws of the European Union is not appropriate for application between Gibraltar and the Republic of North Macedonia and is not incorporated into these Regulations.